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In re Application of
Marie-Christine MISSANA et al.
Serial No. : 09/980,120
Filed : November 30, 2001
For : BREAST PROSTHESIS

DECISION ON PETITION
UNDER 37 CFR 1.181

This is in response to the petition filed on November 18, 2003 under 37 CFR 1.181 requesting entry of the proposed changes to the drawings submitted May 9, 2002.

The petition is hereby GRANTED.

A review of the record reveals that in the final rejection the examiner objected to the drawings because they were found to introduce new matter into the drawings. The examiner noted that the original disclosure did not support the showing of the character lines χ' and α' .

Petitioner argues that the drawing changes find clear and full support in the original disclosure. Figure 6 and page 7 lines 26-30 of the original specification provide clear support for complementary angles χ and χ' , while page 8 lines 19-24 provides clear support for complementary angles α and α' .

It is concurred that the drawing changes are fully supported by the original disclosure. The proposed drawing corrections filed on May 9, 2002 have been approved.

Summary: The petition is GRANTED.

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